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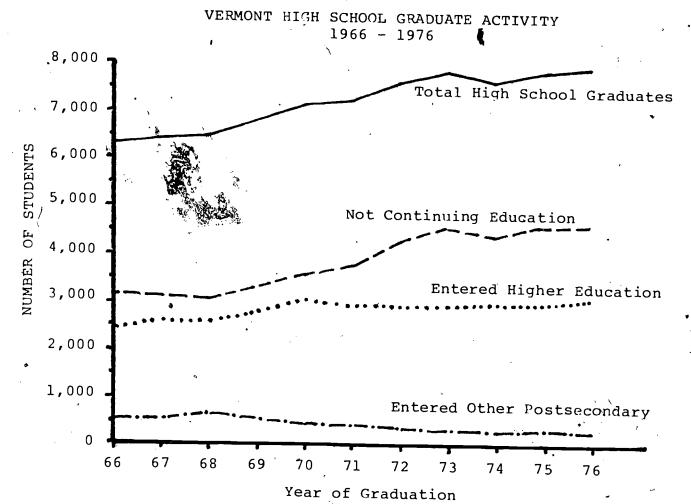
A graphic and tabular summary is presented of the numbers and percentages of Vermont public and private high school graduates who were reported to be entering higher education, other education beyond high school and various other pursuits each year from 1971 through 1976. The data are classified according to numbers and percentages entering Vermont public institutions, Vermont private institutions, and out-of-state institutions. The report notes a decline in percentages of Vermont high school graduates enrolling in higher education, enrolling in publicly-supported colleges and universities, pursuing other education beyond high school, and an increase in the percentages employed in Vermont directly following graduation from high school. (Author/LBH)

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Each year the Vermont Department of Education conducts a survey of Vermont high school graduates to determine what they do within the year following graduation. The graph below illustrates the slight growth in the number of Vermont students directly entering higher education after graduation against the relatively substantial growth in the number of students not continuing their education.

Nationally, as reported by the Bureau of Census' Current Population Reports, Series P-20 Nos. 286 and 303, 47% of all high school students graduating in 1974 enrolled in higher education the following year, and in 1975 that figure climbed to 50%. The proportions of Vermont graduates enrolled in higher education for those years are 39% and 38% respectively; and returns to 39% for 1976 graduates.



Source: Vermont Department of Education



The accompanying table, "What Vermont High School Students Do After Graduation, 1971-1976", provides a year by year comparison of post graduation activity.

The proportion of graduates attending Vermont private schools has remained stable at six to seven percent, but the proportion attending public institutions has steadily decreased from 23% in 1971 to 18% for the class of 1976.

The proportion of graduates enrolled in postsecondary education, other than higher education, has steadily declined from 7% in 1971 to 3% in 1976. The proportion of graduates employed in Vermont following graduation has grown from 31% in 1971 to 36% in 1976 while the other activities of these graduates not continuing their education have remained relatively stable.

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